REMARKS

The Office action December 17, 2002 has been carefully considered and the application has been amended accordingly.

In keeping with recommended practice, section headings have been added to the specification as suggested by the Examiner.

The Abstract, previously presented on the cover page of the PCT application is presented herewith on a separate page.

A new drawing is presented herewith to show cross-hatching for the dielectric material of body 5 (FIG. 1) and for the radial supporting webs 25 of cylindrical body 23, as required by the Examiner. Also, FIG. 1 has been amended to show that cable 4 is a ground wire; this change is supported in the sentence bridging pages 8a and 9 in the specification.

New claims 48-67 are presented in lieu of previously presented claims 28-47. The new claims are essentially in sequential order as the previous claims but include amendments to provide antecedent bases as required by the Examiner and to better place the claims in accord with traditional U.S. practice. As now presented, and in keeping with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter, it is believed that claims 48-67 are in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

A request for a one-month extention of time for filing this response is presented in a separate paper with the mandated fee.

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